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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Amendment and Response (in duplicate) of D. W. Norbeck *et al.* in the above-identified patent application entitled **METHOD FOR IMPROVING PHARMACOKINETICS** the specification of which was filed on June 26, 1996 and received Serial No. 08/687,774.

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